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CALLING CARD ACCESS TO INTERNET PORTAL USING INTERACTIVE VOICE RESPONSE (IVR) SYSTEM

## ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A calling card service that optionally provides access to an Internet portal. The customer dials the calling card number and selects between normal telephone service or portal access. If the customer selects portal access, an IVR system is used to guide the customer to the desired information, which is translated from text to voice so that the customer may listen to an audio version of the Internet content.